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MIDWINTER SOCIETY FINDS OCCASION ATTENDING MUSICALS, DINNERS DANCES AND BALLS!

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SOOCIETY is in an energetic mood this winter. Indeed, energy is necessary if hostesses hope to crowd their plans into the few weeks that remain before Lent. No less than fifty dinners were given last week, including those that prefaced the costume dance at Sherry's on Thursday. Subscription dances are demanding the attentions of more than one hundred of the leading hostesses of the season, and in duty to the rising generation, especially as represented by the debutantes, who are more than one hundred in number, the women upon whom the social demands of the winter are falling find themselves as busy as their husbands.

"I had to attend five dinners, three dances, four receptions and two performances of opera during the last six days," said the mother of a debutante at one of the week's dinners. "I could not cut any of them out for fear of disappointing my daughter, and I could not appear to show any want of interest in the entertainments of the young people. This shows how mothers are being rushed. To the young people it is all fascination. To mothers it is hard work, but we cannot forget that we went through it all once and were sorry there was not more. I shall have to take a rest cure in Lent."

ENTERTAINING on Sunday evenings is not always a matter of preference. Just now it is one of necessity if one would assure one's self of receiving few regrets. Sunday entertaining has long been one of the charming features of social developments in New York, but because Sunday evening stands for dignified informality it does not mean that entertainments of the first day of the week lack any of the importance of week day affairs.

Dinners with music and luncheons where the realms of art, the stage and society meet on neutral ground are the rule on Sunday. It is all informal, but it is elegant informality. The entertainment at the home of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., last Sunday evening was one of the most important events of the winter, but it was on the lines of many others that have been given and are planned for the near future. Mr. Moncure Robinson entertained thirty-four guests at dinner at the St. Regis and then met fully one hundred more in Mrs. Vanderbilt's salon, where Mr. Josef Hofmann played for them. A string orchestra provided an instrumental background for the dancing of Miss Katrina Gelizer, one of the Russian dancers who have been appearing at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Another entertainment of last Sunday, which shows how society is accustomed to amuse itself, was a luncheon given by Mrs. Burke Roche at her new home, No. 18 East Seventy-seventh street. The forty-two guests included Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, the Baron Oppenheim, Mr. Herman Herkomer, Mr. George Artiss and the Baroness de Meyer. Mrs. Burke Roche will give a similar luncheon to-day. Mrs. H. McK. Twombly is giving a few dinners, some of which have been arranged for Sundays, including one this evening. Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt is giving a series of Sunday afternoon receptions.

MUSIC was the excuse for some of the most delightful events of the week in society. Mme. Garcia Ricardo sang German lieder and a selection from "The Marriage of Figaro" at the musicale given by Mrs. J. Warren Goddard. That afternoon's entertainment also marked the appearance in this city of Miss Grace Richards, of Boston, a singer who is descended from the old Adams family of Massachusetts. Mrs. Eric B. Dahlgren played the harp at the musicale given by Mrs. Schuyler Warren. Mrs. Grenville Temple Snelling also sang to the guests of Mrs. Warren at her Lexington avenue home. Mrs. Henry Phelps is giving a series of Tuesday afternoon musicales at her beautiful Fifth avenue residence, and another event of importance was the reception given by Miss Winifred Holt for her guest, Mrs. Joseph Colt Bloodgood, of Baltimore. On January 17 Miss Holt will give another reception. The atelier of Mr. Herman Herkomer framed an interesting gathering of society and the stage last week.

SUCH important dances as that given under distinguished patronage at the St. Regis on Wednesday evening and the dance by Mrs. Tifford at Sherry's for her daughters, Mrs. Mortimer and Mrs. Wagstaff, were only fore-runners of others of equal importance to come. A subscription dance, one of the first in which Mrs. John Jacob Astor is a subscriber, is being formed to come with the middle of February. Mrs. Astor will be absent from town at that time, having planned to leave for Europe January 24, but she has entered into the initial plans. Another large dance to come, but for which a date has not been set owing to the present crowded condition of the programme, will be held the middle of February.

The dances by Mrs. Arthur Iselin and Mrs. John Duncan Emmet for Miss Lucy Drexel Dahlgren will go into the records as two of the most charming events of the winter in society. To the many diners in prospect has been added that planned by Mrs. Julian W. Robbins at Sherry's January 24 before the dance to be given by Mrs. H. Van Rensselaer Kennedy. Several more dinners will preface that dance.

THE Thursday Evening Club, the oldest neighborhood club in New York, has entered upon another successful season. This club is a connection between the past and the present in New York society. Through all the changes of thirty years this organization has stood intact, while the fashionable body has undergone many changes. The club was originally an expression of social life in lower Fifth avenue and about Washington square before loft buildings began to displace the fine old houses of that historic section. The meetings on Thursday evenings have moved up town with the members, and the meeting last week was held with Mrs. Prescott Hall Butler, of No. 22 Park avenue, when Miss Susan Metcalfe and



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worked out by a committee of women interested in the work of the hospital.

A recent event of particular interest to the debutantes was the dinner dance given a few evenings ago by Mrs. Edward W. C. Arnold, of No. 471 Park avenue. The guests numbered sixty. The dinner was served in Mrs. Arnold's apartment, while an adjoining apartment was utilized for the dancing.

After having received many social courtesies, which included box parties at the opera, Miss Nancy Leishman, daughter of the American Ambassador to Germany, has left with her mother to join the Ambassador in Berlin.

The marriage of Miss Cecile Bacot, daughter of the late Frank V. Bacot, to Mr. Henry S. Appleton, will take place late this month at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Hofstra, at Hempstead, L. I.

Among the interesting engagements announced recently was that of Miss Irene H. Houghtaling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren H. Houghtaling, of No. 17 East Thirty-fifth street, to Mr. Henry Ramsey Case, vice president of the Hanover National Bank. Miss Houghtaling is a granddaughter of Mr. David H. Houghtaling, a well known merchant of this city, and spends much of the year at the country home of her parents, in

CALIFORNIA GIRL TO GIVE INDIAN DANCES TO AID WORTHY CHARITY

Entertainment for Fruit and Flower Guild One of Many Planned in Charity's Name.

SOOCIETY gives willingly of its time and shekels these days to aid worthy charities in various forms, and it will be represented to-morrow at the Waldorf-Astoria, when an entertainment will be given for the benefit of the New York branch of the National Plant, Flower and Fruit Guild, of which Mrs. Levi P. Morton is president.

A series of American Indian songs and dances will be given by Miss Ethel Z. Preble, of Berkeley, Cal. It will be her first appearance in this city in a programme which she has given throughout California. Among the patronesses are Mrs. C. Ledyard Blair, George S. Bowdoin, John Jay Chapman, Temple Rowland, Paul D. Cravath, W. Bayard Cutting, John R. Drexel, William E. Osgood Field and Richard Irvin.

In aid of the Chrysler Street House an entertainment will be given at the Plaza next Saturday afternoon and evening. There will be Japanese and Slavic dancing and pantomime and a "Travelling Circus." The patronesses include Miss J. Borden Harriman, Henry W. Taft, Cass Gilbert, George F. Baker, James Colby Colgate, James May Duane, Charles Warren Hunt, E. Howard Martin, Charles Osterander, James Scrymgeour, Miss Amy Schermerhorn and Miss Elizabeth Warner.

Tickets are now on sale for the annual

charity ball, which will be given on February 6 at the Waldorf-Astoria for the benefit of the New York Nursery and Child's Hospital. This charity has among its useful purposes the care of children and the training of women in housework and nursing. The nursery, which is the oldest institution of its kind in the city, dating from 1833, needs both money and encouragement. Boxes may be procured from Mrs. Charles F. Roe, No. 33 East Thirty-seventh street.

Arrangements are being made for the annual entertainment of the Junior League, which will be given in the ballroom of the Plaza on the evenings of February 7 and 8. The programme will include some humorous sketches followed by tableaux vivants, the subjects to be chosen from the "Arabian Nights." The members of the organization are the leading debutantes of the winter. Miss Frances is president, Miss Winifred Chisholm secretary, and Miss Alice Ely treasurer. The net receipts of the entertainment will be devoted to settlement work in this city.

For the benefit of the Day Nursery, in East Eighty-sixth street, a tea and sale will be held in the ballroom of the Plaza on Saturday afternoon, January 27, from two until six o'clock. Moving pictures of the coronation will be shown and fancy and useful articles will be sold at tables presided over by young women in society.

Miss Kitty Cheatham will give a social at the Plaza next Tuesday afternoon for the benefit of the Madison Avenue Depository and Exchange for Women's Work. This exchange has been in existence for twenty-five years and their many friends will welcome the opportunity to assist them in the worthy work. Tickets at \$2 each will be obtained at the exchange, No. 615 Madison avenue.

Sharon, Conn. Mr. Case is the son of Mrs. John Case and is a member of the Metropolitan and Union League clubs and of the Apawamis Golf and Rumson Country clubs. The wedding will take place in June. Mrs. Houghtaling sent out cards for two teas on February 9 and 13 for her daughter.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Valerie Worthington, daughter of Mrs. Harry E. Worthington, to Mr. Langdon Heywood Roper, son of Mrs. Charles Roper, of Pelham Manor, N. Y. Miss Worthington was introduced to society two seasons ago and is a niece of Mrs. William Leaman Bull. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Slayback announced last week the engagement of their niece, Miss Augusta Wight, to Mr. Harry Martin, son of Mr. Charles Grayson Martin, of this city. Miss Wight is one of the season's debutantes and has been much entertained during the winter. No date has been mentioned for the wedding.

ONE of the notable weddings of the season will be that of Miss Beatrice Flagg, younger daughter of Mrs. John Turner Atterbury, to Mr. Oliver Iselin, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Iselin, which will take place next Thursday afternoon at St. Thomas' Church. Only relatives and intimate friends have been invited to the church and to the reception, which will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Atterbury, No. 12 West Forty-ninth street.

Miss Flagg will be attended by Misses Eleanor Rosker, Louise Iselin, Elizabeth Hoyt and Margaret Thomas, the last named of Boston. Mr. William O'D. Iselin will act as his brother's best man. The ushers selected are Messrs. Richard Whitney, James G. Blaine, Chester G. Burden, Frederick M. Burnham, Henry Clark, Roger Cutler, Reginald Foster, McKim Hollins, John Shillito, John Keane and Bayard Tuckerman. Mr. Iselin gave his farewell bachelor dinner last night at Delmonico's.

Society in New York will be interested in the marriage next Saturday of Miss Florence Casanova Jones, daughter of Mrs. Frank Casanova Jones, of this city, to Mr. Henry Warrington Doughton, Jr., which will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Church, Wellesley, Mass. After March 15 Mr. Doughton will be at No. 31 West Eleventh street.

ANOTHER wedding this week will be that of Miss Marguerite Martin, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Truman V. Martin, to Mr. Henry Phelps Hoffstot, a

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WHEN the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. MacVeagh gave their annual dinner last Thursday evening for the President and Mrs. Taft they introduced an innovation which not only caused widespread interest, but approval. They have been noted for the hospitality they have shown ever since coming to Washington, and in consequence their cards of invitation have been welcomed by society. Not only are their dinners invariably followed by good music, but there is always a touch of novelty.

Last Thursday evening this was shown in the arrangement of their tables. President and Mrs. Taft, the American Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, with the host and hostess and a few more guests, were seated on a raised dais on which was a semi-circular table. By this arrangement the President and special guests faced the others who were seated just below. From the table on the dais a long white cloth fell to the floor. The effect was most unusual.

During the week there has been a series of unusually brilliant events, beginning with the diplomatic reception at the White House on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, always a conspicuous figure at any gathering in the White House, offered the latest and most picturesque costume, appearing in American Beauty again brocaded in gold, the bodice being formed of waves of chiffon that enveloped her figure after the fashion of an old time portrait. Mrs. Hugh Boland French, of England, formerly Miss Ida Wynne, daughter of a one time Consul General in London, caused widespread interest by appearing in a harem skirt.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid's brief visit in Washington during the week was the occasion for a number of notable entertainments. When Mr. and Mrs. Reid accepted the invitation to visit Mr. and Mrs. William J. Boardman the latter arranged a dinner party for them for last Friday night. When the Ambassador and his wife arrived on Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Boardman learned that the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Meyer had already arranged by cable for a dinner party that night for Mr. and Mrs. Reid. So Mr. and Mrs. Boardman changed their date to Thursday night. Then along came the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. MacVeagh with a dinner for the President and Mrs. Taft, which they were particularly anxious that Mrs. Reid should attend, so Mr. and Mrs. Boardman again graciously gave up their dinner plans, and were finally content simply to act as hosts to the Ambassador and his wife during the stay in Washington.

The President and Mrs. Taft are going to have another dance for young people January 28, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Hammond will give a ball January 19 for Miss Leslie Pace of California, who is spending the winter with them.



son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Hoffstot, of No. 145 West Fifty-eighth street, which will take place on Wednesday afternoon at the Marie Antoinette, the home of Dr. and Mrs. Martin. Mr. Hoffstot will give his farewell bachelor dinner to-morrow night at Delmonico's.

There will be two weddings in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Francis D. Winslow, of No. 4 East Tenth street, in the near future. On February 17 their son, Mr. Carroll Winslow, will marry Miss Rose O'Neill Kane, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greenville Kane, in St. Mary's Church, Tuxedo. Miss Margaret Winslow, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winslow, will be married to Mr. Gordon Williams, of Baltimore, April 11, in the chantry of Grace Church. This will be a simple wedding, and there will be a small reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Winslow.

The Friday Afternoon Roller Skating Club, under the management of Miss Georgiana Owens, will be continued this winter at the Metropolitan Rink from February 23 to April 12. There will also be two evening meetings, on April 19 and 26. The patronesses for this class are Mrs. Robert Appleton, Joseph R. Guernsey, Donald Campbell and James Harper Poor.

A representative subscription dance will be held at Sherry's on February 13. The list of patronesses includes Mrs. John Jacob Astor, William B. Dismore, Henry C. de Rham, 24; Stuyvesant Fish, Jr.; James Ben All Haggin, Dulany Howland, Oliver Harriman, Edward Clarkson Potter, Stephen H. P. Pell, William May Wright, Charles A. Van Rensselaer and Robert de Peyster Titus.

One of the interesting society events yet to be given will be Mrs. Franklin Mott Warner's dance for Miss Ada Bryce-Gray, at Sherry's, on February 5. Miss Bryce-Gray is one of the most attractive and accomplished debutantes of the season.

The artists who will appear at Mr. Bagby's musical morning to-morrow at the Waldorf-Astoria are Miss Ada Sassoli, Mr. Caruso and Mr. Etrem Zimbalist.

Countess Pierre de Viel Castel, who is now in France, will spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. Sidney Dillon Ripley, in Bar Harbor.

Mrs. Irving Brokaw will give a dinner dance for young married couples at her home, No. 95 Fifth avenue, next Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. P. Pell have returned from a visit to Colonel and Mrs. Robert M. Thompson, in Washington.

Mrs. Stuyvesant Le Roy, of Newport, is spending January in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Gurnee have closed their country home, in Roslyn, L. I., for the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gould Shaw, 24, of Boston, are visiting friends in this city.

Miss Juliana Cutting has returned to New York after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Parker Corning, in Albany.



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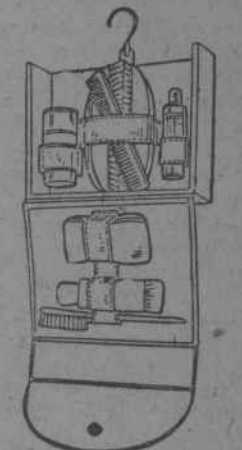
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